OUR CHURCH

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ST. LUKES

BUSTLETON, PHILA., PENNA.

The Rector's Message

My dear Friends:

To celebrate the Hundredth Anniversary of your Church is a rare privilege. It only happens once in a life time. Such an occasion calls for a special observance. And we are glad to report that the Committees have prepared a fitting program.

As we look back over the past we see how richly God has blessed us as a Church Family. Our beautiful Church was given as a memorial by Mrs. Pauline Henry, and many other memorials and legacies were given by generous Members. Without these benevolent Members we would not be enjoying such an attractive Church today. How true are the words of our Lord — "Others have labored, and ye Have entered into their labors." (St. John 4:38).

In facing the future, we are challenged to make OUR contribution to the life of the Church in OUR day. "Freely ye have received, freely give."

What can we give? Our Committee has approved the decision of the Congregational Meeting — "To remodel the Hall so as to do more effective work with our young people." This is our common, united project. The plans and procedure are explained in this brochure.

We ask every Member to participate. Give, as God enables you, and as your gratitude prompts you.

I count it a personal pleasure to be the Rector of St. Luke's Church at such a happy and important time.

Faithfully your Rector,

John M. Weber

Our Aim . . .

An Anniversary Gift To St. Lukes Church

One hundred years ago Mrs. Pauline Henry built "OUR CHURCH," the MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. LUKES THE BELOVED PHYSICIAN as a Memorial to her husband. Because of her generosity and the generosity of countless other members during the past century we have a House of God in which to Worship. The Chapel, the Rectory and the Parish Hall were also built by the Giving of devout members who labored and sacrificed. Without these Christian people, both past and present, there would be no St. Lukes today. Without the same Christian labor, there can be no St. Lukes tomorrow.

We approach the celebration of OUR ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY in October 1961 with sincere gratitude for all the wonderful accomplishments of the past and with bright visions for the future. St. Lukes Church must go on fulfilling its destiny of spreading the Gospel in a very troubled World. We cannot stand idly by enjoying the fruits of the labor of our predecessors. We must go forward in Christ, labor as they labored, giving as they gave and sacrificing as they sacrificed.

There is much to be done and with God's Help and His Blessing we will be able to accomplish seemingly impossible tasks. Let us Unite in our efforts to improve and to strengthen OUR CHURCH so we too can say that we had a share in building St. Lukes into a vibrant living house of God.

. . . ONLY IN GIVING DO WE RECEIVE . . .

The Centennial Committee.

Our Needs . . .

1. Adequate facilities and Classrooms for our Sunday School.
2. A larger and improved Parking Area.
3. A Cloakroom and Choir Room addition to the Church.
4. New Pews and Flooring in the Church.
5. Funds for the Widening of Welsh Rd. and installation of Sewers.
6. Running water in the Sacristy for the Altar Guild.
7. Repairs to roof of Parish Hall.
8. The Chapel repointed.

These are the most urgent tasks that have been requested by the members and organizations of OUR CHURCH.

These are things that NEED DOING!

Our Plan . . .

To provide proper facilities and furnishings for our Sunday School and then to undertake the above suggested improvements in order of their importance and as funds are available.

Our Goal . . .

To raise the sum of $25,000 over a period of TWO YEARS a Goal that can be easily achieved "IF" EVERY member of ST. LUKES Parish will Pledge TWO (2) ADDITIONAL DOLLARS or MORE PER WEEK.